

1 CHAIR JAMES: Thank you. I'm going to ask everyone if  
2 we could settle down just a little bit. And before we get started  
3 with our afternoon agenda, I'm going to ask Dr. Moore if he has  
4 any summary comments, or anything that he would like to add to  
5 our discussion to wrap up the morning.

6 Commissioner Moore?

7 COMMISSIONER MOORE: I guess if this could be called a  
8 preliminary report on the Indian Subcommittee on gaming. As you  
9 might know, and if you don't, Commissioner Loescher, and  
10 Commissioner Wilhelm and myself comprised the Indian Subcommittee  
11 on gambling.

12 We have been all over this country, practically, to  
13 take deposition and hear the Indians talk. We want to thank Mr.  
14 Hill and Mr. Coin for a lot of their arrangements in seeing that  
15 these people get to their destinations, where we might be, and to  
16 give their testimonies.

17 On behalf of the Commission I would like to say the  
18 subcommittee that we appreciate this, and even ourselves, we  
19 would like to say that we believe that we have been fair, we  
20 believe that we have been honest in our Hearings, believe that  
21 everyone that came and said that they wanted to talk before this  
22 subcommittee was given that opportunity.

23 And, yes, we do have a lot of records, and transcripts  
24 of those.

25 Now, what I would like to say today that we have come  
26 together, the three of us, with our thoughts, and we are hoping  
27 that when we have our final report to this full Commission that  
28 it will be so, and that we will be unanimous in our report, and

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1 that certainly that they would give it very much consideration in  
2 accepting it as is.

3 That is not to say that each individual on this  
4 Commission has their own ideas, and can vote up or down, just  
5 like we can do anywhere. But we will come out of this group,  
6 this Commission will come out with a report, I believe, that we  
7 will be proud of, and I believe that you will be proud of.

8 Now, the headings and things that we are going, that we  
9 have decided among ourselves that we are unanimous on, we want  
10 this final subcommittee report to include the following:  
11 The growth of Indian gambling, and as you know, just like any  
12 gambling, not just Indian gambling, all gambling has grown. That  
13 is one of the reasons that this Commission was established, I  
14 believe.

15 Economic development, we will denote that we think that  
16 the Indians have done a heck of a job in the economic  
17 development, and we want to show this.

18 Tribal sovereignty, you heard two or three, already you  
19 heard some very, very good talks this morning. We all believe in  
20 tribal sovereignty.

21 Number 4, state rights. We also believe that the  
22 states in which these tribes are located, that the states should  
23 have some say so of what goes on within their borders. We know  
24 that they are borders to the reservations, but we want to discuss  
25 that.

26 The communities around the tribes, we think that local  
27 community's rights should be considered, and spoken to. Then  
28 guess what, Mr. Wilhelm wants to put in worker's rights. That  
29 sort of surprised me.

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1 But we all agreed that worker's rights are very  
2 important, just as he mentioned this morning, all over the world  
3 America is worried about worker's rights.

4 COMMISSIONER BIBLE: Why is that number 6, and not  
5 number 1?

6 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Well, because we said it cannot be  
7 -- .

8 COMMISSIONER LEONE: Because Commissioner Loescher  
9 insisted.

10 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Number 7, regulations. Yes, we  
11 have our ideas on regulations, and we will have some  
12 recommendations on regulations. Not to curtail, or not to do away  
13 with Indian gaming, not to have any biases towards them, but  
14 things that we think, that we think, and we have our rights also,  
15 of opinions, that might be of benefit to that.

16 And then, number 8, we hear so much about this  
17 everywhere we go, to recommend or come up with a mechanism for  
18 handling impasses between tribes and states in compact  
19 negotiations.

20 We think this is very, very important. That this  
21 Commission come out with something on this. And with that, Madam  
22 Chairwoman, we would like to submit this, and ask you to direct  
23 the Commission staff to have a preliminary draft, or have a draft  
24 to this subcommittee in two weeks.

25 We know that two weeks is not very long, but we have  
26 our executive director sitting by you there, and I can see that  
27 he is smiling and saying there is no trouble.

28 And with that, thank you for the time.

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1 CHAIR JAMES: Thank you, and the staff is so directed.  
2 And if there is any issue with meeting that deadline I would like  
3 to know about it as soon as possible so that we can renegotiate  
4 where we are on our timelines. But I think that is a reasonable  
5 request, and I know that staff has already done a great deal of  
6 work to get us to the point where we are now in the drafting  
7 phase.

8 Yes?

9 COMMISSIONER LEONE: As those of you know if it were in  
10 my power I would eliminate all the gambling in the United States,  
11 so I don't want to pretend I'm not coming from a place that has a  
12 particular point of view, but I recognize the shape of the world  
13 today, and that gambling is going to be tolerated under certain  
14 conditions, regulatory conditions, and because of certain  
15 benefits that people believe it produces for communities, or  
16 workers, or others.

17 Without the financial information we have asked for,  
18 are we going to be in a position other than using anecdotal  
19 information, and I was strongly cautioned against using anecdotal  
20 information today, are we going to be in a position to say  
21 anything definitive about how the economic benefits produced from  
22 gambling are being spent, and how much they --and Indian  
23 reservations in Indian country, how much they amount to, how they  
24 are being spent without that information?

25 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Dollar amounts?

26 COMMISSIONER LEONE: Yes, dollar amounts is some notion  
27 of how it is being spent.

28 COMMISSIONER MOORE: We are hoping, we are hoping  
29 before we get through with this report that we will have those --

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1 COMMISSIONER LEONE: But it is not going to be ready in two weeks  
2 to do that.

3 COMMISSIONER MOORE: No, that is just the preliminary  
4 draft, and we can -- as this material comes in, that we were  
5 asking for this morning, it will be incorporated into this.

6 Just on those names, without trying to prolong this to  
7 any and all, all of us are - we haven't had too many dollar  
8 amounts, but all of us are very, very impressed of what the  
9 Indians have done, and as I have stated in Seattle, what they  
10 have done with the money that we know about, and that may be all  
11 the money.

12 I'm not implying that that is not all the money, but  
13 we are very impressed with what they have done for their people,  
14 economically and socially.

15 CHAIR JAMES: Thank you. Yes, that is indeed an issue  
16 that every subcommittee is going to face, and we appreciate that.

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